

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 have been canceled. Claims 9-11 were identified as being allowed, and these are the only claims remaining in the case. Claim 11 is amended to properly depend from claim 9.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered, that claims 9-11 be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

A provisional petition is hereby made for any extension of time necessary for the continued pendency during the life of this application. Please charge any fees for such provisional petition and any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael E. Whitham', is written over a horizontal line.

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